BOARD BILL # 164

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INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN PHYLLIS YOUNG

- 2 AN ORDINANCE AFFIRMING ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT
- AREA, AND 3 PLAN, REDEVELOPMENT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT:
- AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT 4
- 5 BETWEEN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AND LAUREL TIF, INC.; PRESCRIBING THE
- FORM AND DETAILS OF SAID AGREEMENT; DESIGNATING LAUREL TIF, INC. 6
- 7 AS DEVELOPER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AREA; MAKING CERTAIN
- 8 FINDINGS WITH RESPECT THERETO; AUTHORIZING OTHER RELATED
- 9 ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE REDEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN
- 10 PROPERTY WITHIN THE REDEVELOPMENT AREA; AND CONTAINING A
- 11 SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.
- 12 WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis, Missouri (the "City"), is a body corporate and
- a political subdivision of the State of Missouri, duly created, organized and existing 13
- 14 under and by virtue of its charter, the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri; and
- 15 WHEREAS, on December 20, 1991, pursuant to Ordinance No. 62477, the Board
- 16 of Aldermen of the City created the Tax Increment Financing Commission of the City of
- St. Louis, Missouri (the "TIF Commission"); and 17
- 18 WHEREAS, on May 16, 2008, after all proper notice was given, the TIF
- 19 Commission held a public hearing in conformance with the TIF Act (hereinafter defined)
- 20 and received comments from all interested persons and taxing districts affected by the
- 21 Redevelopment Plan and the redevelopment project described therein; and
- 22 WHEREAS, pursuant to the Real Property Tax Increment Allocation
- Redevelopment Act, Sections 99.800 through 99.865 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri 23

1	(2000), as amended (the "Act" or "TIF Act"), and after due consideration of the TIF
2	Commission's recommendations, the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis,
3	Missouri adopted Ordinance No [Board Bill No] on,
4	2008, which Ordinance: (i) adopted and approved a redevelopment plan entitled the "The
5	Laurel / 555 Washington TIF Redevelopment Plan" dated March 28, 2008, as may be
6	amended from time to time (the "Redevelopment Plan"), (ii) designated the The Laurel /
7	555 Washington Redevelopment Area (as described in the Redevelopment Plan) as a
8	"redevelopment area" as that term is defined in the TIF Act (the "Redevelopment Area"),
9	(iii) adopted and approved the Redevelopment Project described in the Redevelopment
10	Plan, (iv) adopted tax increment allocation financing within the Redevelopment Area, (v)
11	established the City of St. Louis, Missouri "The Laurel / 555 Washington Special
12	Allocation Fund," and (vi) made certain findings with respect thereto, all as set forth in
13	such Ordinance and in accordance with the requirements of the Act; and
14	WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Plan proposes to redevelop the Redevelopment
15	Area by the acquisition of the property within the Redevelopment Area, the preparation
16	of the site, and the development of new residential units, as set forth in the
17	Redevelopment Plan (the "Redevelopment Project," or "TIF Project"); and
18	WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No [Board Bill No], the
19	Board of Aldermen has determined that completion of the Redevelopment Project is of
20	economic significance to the City, will serve to benefit the general welfare, qualifies for
21	the use of tax increment allocation financing to alleviate the conditions that qualify it as a
22	"blighted area" as provided in the TIF Act, and further, that redevelopment of the
23	Redevelopment Area in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan is not financially

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1 feasible without the adoption of tax increment allocation financing and would not

3 WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Area qualifies for the use of tax increment

allocation financing to alleviate the conditions that qualify it as a "blighted area" as 4

provided in the TIF Act and as set forth herein; and

otherwise be completed; and

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WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable and in the best interest of the City to enter into an agreement with Laurel TIF, Inc., a Missouri corporation (the "Developer"), in order that Developer may complete the Redevelopment Project which will provide for the promotion of the general welfare through redevelopment of the Redevelopment Area in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan which redevelopment includes, but is not limited to, assistance in the physical, economic, and social development of the City of St. Louis, preservation of historic structures, providing for a plan for the optimal growth of the City of St. Louis, encouragement of a sense of community identity, safety and civic

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the TIF Act, the City is authorized to enter into a redevelopment agreement with Laurel TIF, Inc., a Missouri corporation, as Developer, setting forth the respective rights and obligations of the City and Developer with regard to the redevelopment of the Redevelopment Area (the "Redevelopment Agreement"); and

pride and the elimination of impediments to development in the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen hereby determines that the terms of the Redevelopment Agreement attached as **Exhibit A** hereto and incorporated herein by reference are acceptable and that the execution, delivery and performance by the City and the Developer of their respective obligations under the Redevelopment Agreement are in City of St. Louis Ordinance No.68101

1 the best interests of the City and the health, safety, morals and welfare of its residents,

and in accord with the public purposes specified in the TIF Act and the Redevelopment

3 Plan.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE. The Board of Aldermen hereby ratifies and confirms its 5

approval of the Redevelopment Plan, Redevelopment Area, and Redevelopment Project.

7 The Board of Aldermen further finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable to

enter into the Redevelopment Agreement with Laurel TIF, Inc., as Developer of the

Redevelopment Area, in order to implement the Redevelopment Project and to enable the

Developer to carry out its proposal for completion of the Redevelopment Project.

11 **SECTION TWO.** The Board of Aldermen finds and determines that the

assistance of tax increment financing is necessary and desirable in order to implement the

Redevelopment Project and to enable Laurel TIF, Inc. as Developer of the

Redevelopment Area, to carry out its proposal for completion of the Redevelopment

15 Project.

SECTION THREE. The Board of Aldermen hereby approves, and the Mayor 16

and Comptroller of the City are hereby authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of

the City, the Redevelopment Agreement by and between the City and the Developer

attached hereto as Exhibit A, and the City Register is hereby authorized and directed to

attest to the Redevelopment Agreement and to affix the seal of the City thereto. The

Redevelopment Agreement shall be in substantially the form attached, with such changes

22 therein as shall be approved by said Mayor and Comptroller executing the same and as 1 may be consistent with the intent of this Ordinance and necessary and appropriate in

2 order to carry out the matters herein authorized.

3 **SECTION FOUR.** The Mayor and Comptroller of the City or their designated

representatives are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions to execute 4

and deliver for and on behalf of the City any and all additional certificates, documents,

agreements or other instruments as may be necessary and appropriate in order to carry out

the matters herein authorized, with no such further action of the Board of Aldermen

necessary to authorize such action by the Mayor and the Comptroller or their designated

representatives.

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SECTION FIVE. 10 The Mayor and the Comptroller or their designated

representatives, with the advice and concurrence of the City Counselor and after approval

by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, are hereby further authorized and directed

to make any changes to the documents, agreements and instruments approved and

authorized by this Ordinance as may be consistent with the intent of this Ordinance and

necessary and appropriate in order to carry out the matters herein authorized, with no

such further action of the Board of Aldermen necessary to authorize such changes by the

Mayor and the Comptroller or their designated representatives.

SECTION SIX. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of

Aldermen that each and every part, section and subsection of this Ordinance shall be

separate and severable from each and every other part, section and subsection hereof and

that the Board of Aldermen intends to adopt each said part, section and subsection

separately and independently of any other part, section and subsection. In the event that

any part, section or subsection of this Ordinance shall be determined to be or to have

been unlawful or unconstitutional, the remaining parts, sections and subsections shall be

2 and remain in full force and effect, unless the court making such finding shall determine

that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed

4 in accord with the legislative intent.

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SECTION SEVEN. After adoption of this Ordinance by the Board of Aldermen,

this Ordinance shall become effective on the 30th day after its approval by the Mayor or

adoption over his veto; provided that if, within ninety (90) days after the effective date of

this Ordinance, the Developer has not (i) executed a redevelopment agreement pertaining

to the Redevelopment Project and (ii) paid all fees due to the City in accordance with the

terms of the redevelopment agreement, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed

null and void and of no effect and all rights conferred by this Ordinance on Developer,

shall terminate, provided further, however, that prior to any such termination the

Developer may seek an extension of time in which to execute the Redevelopment

Agreement, which extension may be granted in the sole discretion of the Board of

15 Estimate and Apportionment of the City of St. Louis.

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EXHIBIT A

THE LAUREL / 555 WASHINGTON TIF REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT